

SHORTRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

IT IS RUN ON ALMOST THE SAME PLAN AS A COLLEGE.

There Are Many Organizations that Contribute to the Pleasure and Profit of the Pupils.

Persons passing the large brick building at the corner of Michigan and Pennsylvania streets, known as the Indianapolis Shortridge High School, would hardly believe that there was very much to interest the outsider behind those walls. However, an investigation of the inner workings of this institution makes it plain that the students have much to be proud of, and accounts for the strong school spirit which is so marked among all of the Shortridge pupils. It has often been remarked by visitors that the Shortridge school was more like a college than a high school, and as those at the head of the school believe firmly in the old adage that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," it is easy to see why the students enjoy their school life so much.

The oldest organization in the school is the High School Senate, which was started eighteen years ago by Miss Laura Donnan, the present critic and teacher of civil government. It is probably the most popular organization in the school and is always in a flourishing condition. The senate follows the rules of the United States Senate and the students use the names of the members of that body. Bills are introduced, referred to committees and voted on and the discussions on most all questions are spirited and interesting. The present measure before the young High School seniors is the "Taylor-Flintley" bill, and a hard fight is being made on both sides. Officers are elected every six weeks and the present officers are: Senator Lodge (Edwin Friend), president; Senator White (Frank Williams), vice president; Senator Fairbanks (John White), secretary; Senator Pritchard (Earl Pritchard), reading clerk; and Senator Scott (Ferdinand Kahn), custodian. The body meets every Friday afternoon at 4:15, and visitors are always welcomed.

The Athletic Association, under whose protecting wing the Shortridge athletes battle for athletic honors, has been in existence a long time and has a big membership. All branches of athletics are controlled by this association, whose officers are: Sylvester Johnson, president; Maynard Allen, secretary, and Mr. Benton, treasurer.

In the spring of 1897 Frank Spencer organized the Oratorical Association, one of the most prominent associations in the school. The organization was a crude affair, but has grown until the high school contests are equal to those of colleges. Recently there has been quite a good deal of discussion as to the advisability of oratory being encouraged in high schools. The friends of the art were victorious and oratory is again in good repute. The present officers of the association are: Coburn Allen, president; Edith Brannon, vice president; Albertine Shepard, secretary; Miss Donnan, treasurer, and the executive committee is composed of the following students: James Gipe, Frank Williams, Gladys Nehrbas, Edwin Friend and John White.

THE ORATORICAL CLUB. Closely allied to the Oratorical Association is the Oratorical Club, a rather new organization, originated two years ago by Miss Donnan. It was started for the purpose of studying orations and speeches from well-known orators, after which criticisms from the club members are heard. The club meets "behind closed doors," but holds one "open" meeting a year, to which attendance is invitation. It is due to this organization that Shortridge has attained such a high position in oratory, being six points in the lead of the other high schools in the State season. Most of the school's best speakers received their training in the Oratorical Club. The officers of this club are: Edith Brannon, president; Ernest Cohn, vice president; Frank Williams, secretary, and Miss Donnan, critic. For those who are interested in photography the Camera Club is a popular organization. It is the intention of the club to hold at least one contest a year. There are always very entertaining and some excellent pictures are shown. A contest will be held next year. The officers of the club are: Miss Selick, teacher of drawing in the school, president; Charles Lewis, secretary, and Lawrence Hasselman, treasurer.

Last year the girls' basketball team, under Miss Gladys Heffner-Nehrbas, was a prominent feature in high school life. So far this term the team has been practicing, owing to the difficulty in securing training quarters. The success of the team last year caused sixty-nine applicants to appear for first team honors this year. The candidates will at once be practiced under Coach Reeves, of the Y. M. C. A. team. Those who will likely make the first team are: Gladys Nehrbas, captain; Nora L. Brown, secretary; Edith Zwick, Ruth Maxwell, Anna Rogers, Ethel Reeves, Lydia Wallace, Grace Philpott and Rachel Baker.

The senior class of 1902 promises to be one of the best classes that ever left the school. The class will give an annual entertainment between now and February, but what its nature will be has not been decided. The officers of the class are: Coburn Allen, president; Bess Trout, vice president; Ruth Patterson, secretary, and Maynard Allen, treasurer.

The Junior class was recently organized and promises to make a reputation in short order. The "Naughty Three's" organization has a big hope to be given soon. The dance will be given at the school, and it is believed it will be a success from a social point of view. The officers of the 1903 class are: Hugh Jones, president; Fred Appel, vice president; Edith Brannon, secretary, and Harry Nicoll, treasurer.

Besides the more prominent associations there are many smaller but no less important organizations in the school. The latest addition to this list is the Shortridge Bowling League, which "rolls the pins" the pastime allows every Saturday. There are four teams in the league, and many of the boys are becoming first-class bowlers. The Boys' Mandolin Club, under the direction of Mr. Noel, and the Girls' Mandolin Club, in charge of Miss Baker, are new musical clubs, while the orchestra, under Hewitt Thomas, is a prominent and enjoyable feature.

The social side of high school life deserves special mention, as the societies and "frats" all play a more or less prominent part in the politics of the institution. Probably the most important of these is the Delta Phi senior boys' society. It has a strong influence in the school, and its officers are: Ralph Kane, president; Robert Scott, vice president; Walter Vonnegut, treasurer. The club is composed of 100 members, and is a very popular organization.

The Junior class has not as yet organized as a boys' society, but the girls have formed several clubs and cliques, the most prominent of which is the Do Do Club, the members being Irma Jean Wocher, Nedie Searle, May Bliss, Edna Randall, Stella Allen, Edith Posney, Agatha Seitz, Rose Knepfer, Hazel Spelman, Rose Roberts and Carrie Conde.

The O. T. C. Club is a new organization that meets "on the quiet" every two weeks. The members are the following junior girls: Addie McMaster, Lento Fulmiller, Orin Pearson, Florence Kesh, Stella Hahn, McMurphy, Lila Allison and Nellie Vanhook.

fraternity, Sans Souci Club and the Chess Club. The High School Club is a very well-known organization of Shortridge boys who were formerly members of the school. A few of the members at present attend Shortridge. The boys have fitted elegant quarters in the Propylaeum, where posters, tobacco sacks, pillows and other such decorations adorn the walls. Sylvester Johnson is president, Walter Cogan secretary and Ed Wallace treasurer. The room is a most pleasant place for the boys to meet after a contest such as was held on Thanksgiving and talk over the result. There is always "something doing" at the club, where the members are very hospitable and every one made welcome.

But for one thing the Shortridge High School would be like other high schools and that favor of college environment would be sadly lacking. Without that enterprising school organ, the Daily Echo, much of the pleasure which the pupils now get out of their school life would necessarily be lost. In 1888 Fletcher Wagner started a one-page daily paper as a private investment, and two years ago the School Board purchased presses for the school and the faculty took charge of the sheet, which was then made a four-page paper. The enterprise was a decided success and has continued to prosper. The Daily Echo has the distinction of being the only high school daily in the world, while only fifteen colleges can boast of a daily organ. It has one "scoop" to its credit, of which it is exceedingly proud. On March 23, 1900, the building had quite a fire, and the Daily Echo "scooped" all of the city papers, getting out an extra edition, with glaring headlines, showing how it "snapped."

When President McKinley visited Indianapolis, on Oct. 24, 1898, he was presented with a copy of the paper tied with blue and white ribbon. Special editions are got out on Thanksgiving and Christmas, and the subscription list contains the names of persons all over the United States and some in Europe.

The Echo booms all school enterprises, and, like all partisan newspapers, rejoices with the school in victory and consoles it in defeat. The paper weaves all the organizations into one, whose sole object and ambition is to bring glory and honor to the blue and white of the Shortridge High School. Following is the staff of the paper, of which all Shortridge students feel justly proud.

Monday Editor—Paul Edwards; assistants, Stella Walton, Grace Philpott, Merced Ketchum, and a staff of writers.

Tuesday Editor—Charles Lewis; assistants, Hazel Osborne, Theodore Curtis, Wednesday Editor—Frank W. Williams; assistants, Horace Allerdice, Mabel Charles, Huel C. Evans.

Thursday Editor—Benj. W. Douglass; assistants, Edwin Friend, Ruth Patterson, Fairbanks (John White), secretary, Randolph S. G. Prent, Ernest Cohn, Ruth Maxwell.

Exchange Editor—Elsie Dickson.

WHY PEOPLE SNORE.

A Scientific Explanation and a Remedy Given by a Physician.

New York Sun.

The snore of the heavy sleeper appears at last to be receiving the consideration from wakened sufferers that the heinousness of the offense merits. It may not be popularly known that snoring is merely the vibration of the velum pendulum palati, but it is no less a matter of interest to a great many people who either snore themselves or are annoyed by snorers.

A well-known physician was asked the other day why snoring is so common. "Because they don't shut their mouths," he said.

"Well, it's common enough," said he; and in an offhand fashion he explained that snoring is a noise made in the posterior part of the mouth and nasal fossae during the moments of inspiration. It is due to the relaxation of the levator palati molli and the circumflexus palati in sleep, by which the velum pendulum palati is left free to vibrate or flap in the two currents of the air which enter at the same time through the nostril and the mouth.

Besides the vibration of the velum pendulum palati, or soft palate, there is also a vibration of the column of air itself. Thus is produced the rasping, snoring noise, so well known, and so unpleasant to everyone within earshot of the placid snorer.

The doctor was asked what caused snoring. "When a man is fatigued," he said, "and his self-control is unusually relaxed, sleep, he is apt to let his lower jaw drop down. No man was ever seen or heard to snore with his mouth shut."

"I am frequently called upon to prescribe for his cure."

"Can it be cured?"

"Why do elderly or corpulent people commonly snore?"

"Because their systems are generally more relaxed in sleep, and their mouths when fall open. They will be likely to snore if he sleeps with his mouth open, and no one will if he shuts it."

"Is there any remedy?"

"First, you must give a person a chance to breathe through the nose, and then make him so. If there is any obstruction of the nasal passage, that must be removed by treatment. Then, if a snorer can't keep his mouth shut by force of will, his jaw must be tied up."

"A harness for the lower jaw is sometimes employed in cases of snoring, and a skull cap worn upon the head serves to hold a system of straps under the chin, and keep the mouth shut until the patient can form a habit of sleeping on his side, or with his head sufficiently elevated to hold his jaw."

"Is it an easy matter to hold one's jaw when asleep?"

"Hardly more difficult than when awake."

"Why is snoring, then, so common if it is easily cured?"

"Because catarrhal troubles are so common, which prevent free inspiration through the nostrils. In sleeping cases, and in hotels one frequently hears of snoring, because people in those places usually go to sleep tired out. An old doctor used to advise his patients to keep their faces clean, and to keep their mouths shut. They mean no harm to any waking mortal."

THE MOON AND THE WEATHER.

Attempts to Base Weather Predictions Upon Supposed Lunar Influences.

New York Evening Sun.

Some persons still believe that the weather is controlled by the moon, and that the influence of the moon on the planets, long-range weather predictions based upon this supposed influence are published. Apparently finding a considerable number of believers or it would not pay to print them. Another experiment of this sort is now being tried in Russia.

During the past year a journal called Cimet has been published every two months at St. Petersburg. It is printed in English, German, French and Russian under the editorship of work in Klimov, a Russian astronomer, and Dmitri Sknshinsky. The earlier numbers were devoted to predictions of the weather for a long time in advance by means of certain deductions based upon the alleged influence of the moon. The publication of these predictions seems to have revived some interest in the matter. The predictions were made to include places as far away as Aberdeen, Scotland, and Valencia, Spain.

Dr. H. R. Mill, the editor of Symon's Monthly Meteorological Magazine, has just subjected the predicted weather conditions for Aberdeen and Valencia to the test of comparison with the weather actually observed at those places. The results are disastrous for the predictions. He found, as was to be expected, that "practically the forecasts as a whole would appear to be valueless" as far as at least as those two stations are concerned. A note in the bulletin of the American Great Lakes Society says that, as far as the writer has observed, this is the only published comparison of predictions with the facts of observed weather.

It cannot be said that any noteworthy results have yet been attained from the efforts of many persons to trace the supposed influence of the moon upon weather. Dr. Hann, in his great work on "Cosmology," makes no allusion to the matter. Professor Davis, of Harvard, in his "Elementary Meteorology," says: "The control of the weather by the moon or the planets still occasionally finds enough believers to support the publication of elaborate long-range weather predictions. As these are couched in general language and intended to be applicable to large areas of the country it is not at all difficult to gather a number of verifications for them; but they are no better than the forgotten predictions of astrology of centuries ago."

An Epitaph.

"Speaking of quaint epitaphs," said Stephen Merritt, the undertaker, "reminds me of one I recently saw in the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery at Tarrytown. It is rudely engraved on a little marble stone over a mound covered with brambles. It reads as follows:

"Here lies the body of little Jane, Who ran out slyly and played in the rain; She caught the measles and it stuck in her, And in less than four short weeks she died."

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Santa Claus' special delivery arrived last evening with the remainder of our vast orders for toys and novelties that will gladden the hearts of every one on Christmas morn.

Come to-morrow, come during the first holiday week, do your Christmas shopping early when you and we have plenty of time, and it will be the most satisfactory Christmas shopping you ever did. The greatness of this store is most pronounced at the holiday time. Our great amount of selling space, our great stocks, indeed, our immense facilities in every section make this more emphatically than at any other time the store that we want. We have a great holiday trade this year and consequently have gotten together larger stocks than ever before, and in order to make things lively from the start we offer a number of

SPECIAL ITEMS FOR THE OPENING DAY

That are simply unprecedented. Again we urge you to come early, if for no other reason than to take advantage of the opening day bargains.

A HOLIDAY WONDERLAND IN OUR GREAT BASEMENT

Never did Indianapolis see so large or so well-selected a gathering of Xmas goods for little folks as they will see when they come to this great toy wonderland. The result of months and months of careful choosing of the best from two continents we lay before you in this grand display. There's lots of room for every one, double the stock we ever before had and double the force of salespeople to wait upon you. COME, AND BRING THE CHILDREN.

<p>TOYS</p> <p>IRON TOYS</p> <p>The most complete gift for the boys—plenty of gay colors and every representation.</p> <p>Small Carts and Wagons, 10c</p> <p>Fire Engines, Hook and Ladders and Hose Wagons, \$1.25</p> <p>Trains and Engines, all sizes, in red, black and oxidized at special prices.</p> <p>Toy Banks—start the young to saving—our leader in nickel at 25c</p> <p>Boys' Rifles, every one guaranteed, special one at 60c</p> <p>Large Slate Pool Table, complete with large, \$31.00</p> <p>Orders taken for any size.</p> <p>Striking Bags, special at 98c</p> <p>MAGIC LANTERNS</p> <p>Buy now while stock is complete; as a leader our 75c one for the opening at 49c</p>	<p>AT ALL PRICES</p> <p>Felt lined Crokinole Boards, special at \$1.39</p> <p>Parched, the ever popular game, special at 69c</p> <p>The great family amusement game with gun and drum 45c</p> <p>TENNIS</p> <p>100 up</p> <p>All the latest Parker games prices from \$1.25 down to 75c</p> <p>Drawing Slates and Patent Boxes, prices begin at 10c</p> <p>TOY FURNITURE—A beautiful white enameled line, solid and imitation oak. White enameled Beds and Rockers, \$1 kind 85c Children's Bed Chairs 45c Large Rockers 49c</p>	<p>IRON TOYS</p> <p>See demonstration Zip Zing Shooting Top, price, each 10c</p> <p>Woolly Animals, dogs, cats, etc., for 15c</p> <p>The little tots, special one 15c</p> <p>Fine oak Chautauqua Blackboards with drawings, special \$2.25 desk and blackboard \$1.49</p> <p>War Ships and Sail Boats from 10c to 50c</p> <p>Wash Sets, all complete, 25c</p> <p>Boys' Tool Chests, a fine line, all prices, \$6 down to 25c</p> <p>Shooflys, all kinds, a \$1.25 85c one special at 75c</p> <p>WAGONS</p> <p>See demonstration Zip Zing Shooting Top, price, each 10c</p> <p>Large wood wagon with seat, \$1.25 value, \$1.50</p> <p>Steel Wagons, 98c, \$1.35, \$2.50</p>	<p>DRUMS</p> <p>Drums, bass and tenor, all sizes, special, small one at 25c</p> <p>BLOCKS—Cube picture and pyramid, special, our silver boys' block, \$1.25 value at 79c Pyramid Blocks, 5c each</p> <p>MECHANICAL TOYS</p> <p>The Miller and the Mill 25c</p> <p>Van Dyke 25c</p> <p>Lion 35c</p> <p>The Hill Climber (new) 98c</p> <p>Printing Presses and Typewriters, prices special at 75c</p> <p>Typewriter, complete \$1.00</p> <p>Lead American Soldiers, Infantry and Cavalry, very lifelike, prices begin at 25c</p> <p>Football for men and boys—60c to \$4.00</p>
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CHOICE HOLIDAY GIFTS IN CROCKERY DEPT.

Five years ago, for the convenience of customers, and to show special appreciation, we inaugurated a series of holiday tables, which we constantly keep filled with all kinds of Crockery, China and Glassware suitable for Christmas gifts. This year these tables will be more worthy of your attention than ever before, and we are buying low or medium-priced gifts keep these in mind.

Choice of anything on Table 1, 100c
Choice of anything on Table 2, 25c
Choice of anything on Table 3, 50c
Choice of anything on Table 4, 75c
Choice of anything on Table 5, 100c

SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK

A lot of fine thin China Teacups and Saucers at 25c

Blue Japanese China Chocolate Pots, each 25c

Sugars and Creams, full size, good decoration, a pair 75c

Drop Lights for gas, all complete, with tube and shades, each \$1.00

Other styles up to \$1.50

Special sale on Dinner Sets this week, \$3.00

Heavy French Plate Mirrors, to hang 12 inches square, with nickel frames and chains, each \$1.25

and on the second floor the children's annex. Can't begin to tell you of all the works and novelties in these two departments, so for the opening mention these items. Choose your books early, then you'll be more satisfied with your selections and thus will have the time that is necessary for wise book buying.

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The Crisis, by Winston Churchill, author of The Battle of the Marston, \$1.18

The Right of Way, by Gilbert Parker, author of The Battle of the Marston, \$1.18

The Fall of the Curtain, by Harold Begbie, \$1.18

The Elmer Felt, by Hal C. Clegg, \$1.18

The Christian, \$1.18

Marietta, or the Maid of Venice, by Marion Crawford, \$1.18

The Man from Glenary, by Ralph Wilkins, \$1.18

The Portion of Labor, by Mary E. Wilkins, \$1.18

The Cavalier, by George W. Cable, \$1.18

My Lady Peggy Goes to Town, by Frances Agnew Matthews, \$1.25

FINE ILLUSTRATED BOOKS

The new Gibson book for 1901, a Widow's Tears, by Irving Bacheller, \$1.18

Heroines of Fiction, by William D. Howells, 2 vols., in box, \$1.75

The Rulers of the South, by Marion Crawford, 2 vols., net, \$2.00

America, by Joel Cook, with full page illustrations, 3 vols., \$3.00

Child Life in Colonial Days, by Alice M. Colver, 1 vol., \$1.25

Stage Coach and Tavern Days, by Alice Morse Earle, \$2.00

Illustrations reproduced from the play, \$2.00

The latest history of France, with many full-page illustrations from the play, \$2.00

WHAT "HE" WOULD LIKE

There are many things here for the men folk, and those told of here are some of his first thoughts of what he wants.

Men's Suspenders in fancy boxes, from 50c to \$2.00; a special one in assorted colors, in a fancy box, \$1.50

Men's Neckwear, in all the latest and best shapes, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Muffs and Full-dress Protectors, in all the latest and best shapes, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Men's Gloves, lined or unlined, dressed or undressed, at a pair—\$1.00 to \$2.50

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Fancy Tea and Coffee Pots: 100 of the best, \$1.00 each

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Always acceptable to men, women and children.

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Brooches, the newest styles, Amethyst, the correct kind, \$4.50 down

Beaded Chateaufort Bags, made of cut silk, 50c to \$1.50; a special one in the opening at \$1.00

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Rings, gold-filled and solid, plain and fancy set, prices, 50c to \$1.50

Special solid gold, real diamond solitaire, \$12.50

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Men's handkerchiefs in silk with initials, prices from \$2.50 to \$1.00

Ladies' Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs in fancy colors and plain white—\$2.50 to \$1.00

Men's Imported Irish Linen Handkerchiefs with hand-embroidered initials, new patterns, 15c

Men's fine linen Handkerchiefs, 1/2 in. and 3/4 in. hems and very small initials, each 25c

Ladies' Handkerchiefs with all style initials, in fancy boxes, 15c

Ladies' Swiss and sheer linen Handkerchiefs with hand-embroidered edges, 25c to \$2.00

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Brushes from 50c to \$2.00

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Whisk Brooms from 10c to 50c

Military Brushes, a pair, 80c to \$1.00

Silver-mounted Ebony Brushes, hair, comb and hat, three different shapes, each 50c

Ebony Dressing Combs, silver-mounted, each at a pair—25c

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